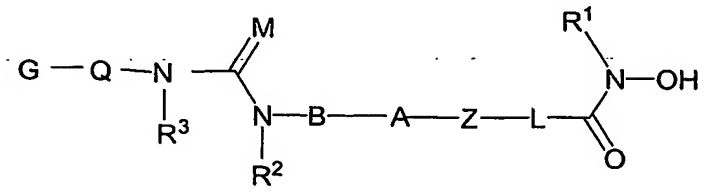
heterocycloalkylalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and acyl; each of which may be optionally substituted;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof, wherein when R is methyl or isopropyl methyl then R_2 is not benzyl.

In one preferred embodiment the present invention provides compounds having the Formula (2)



Formula (2)

wherein

R^1 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 -C_6 alkyl and acyl;

L is a single bond or is a C_1-C_5 hydrocarbon chain which may contain 0 to 2 multiple bonds independently selected from double bonds and triple bonds and wherein, the chain may optionally be interrupted by at least one of -O-, -S-, -S(O)- and -$S(O)_2$- and the chain may optionally be substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C_1-C_4 alkyl;

Z is selected from the group consisting of a single bond, $N(R^1)$, O, S, S(O) and $S(O)_2$;

A is selected from the group consisting of a single bond, optionally substituted arylene, optionally substituted heteroarylene, optionally substituted cycloalkylene and optionally substituted heterocycloalkylene;

B is selected from the group consisting of a single bond, optionally substituted aminoacyl, optionally substituted arylene, optionally substituted heteroarylene, optionally substituted arylalkylene, optionally substituted heteroarylalkylene, optionally substituted alkylarylene,.optionally substituted alkylheteroarylene, optionally substituted C_1-C_3 alkylene, optionally substituted heteroalkylene, optionally substituted cycloalkylene, optionally substituted heterocycloalkylene and optionally substituted -$(CH_2)_m$-C(O)-$N(R^4)$-$(CH_2)_n$-, wherein n is an integer from 0 to 6, m is an integer from 0 to 6;